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STATEMENT OF IMPARTIALITY

1. In order that all stakeholders can have confidence in our certifications, it is essential that BRE Global conducts its certification business in a fair and impartial manner, and with avoidance of undue influence arising from conflicts of interest. BRE Global therefore applies the following principles so as to maintain impartiality between our certification business and our other commercial activities:
 - objectivity
 - independence
 - neutrality
 - fairness
 - open-mindedness
 - even-handedness

2. BRE Global also recognises the following potential threats to impartiality
 - financial factors
 - conflicts of interest
 - self-interest
 - self-review
 - bias
 - prejudice
 - familiarity
 - intimidation, internal or external
 - financial or other inducement

3. BRE Global has therefore established a '*Committee for safeguarding impartiality*' whose primary function is:-
 - a) to assist in developing the policies relating to the impartiality of our certification activities,
 - b) to counteract any tendency on the part of BRE Global to allow commercial or other considerations to prevent the consistent objective provision of our certification activities,
 - c) to advise on matters affecting confidence in certification, including openness and public perception, and
 - d) to review the impartiality of the audit, certification and decision making processes of the certification business of BRE Global Ltd.